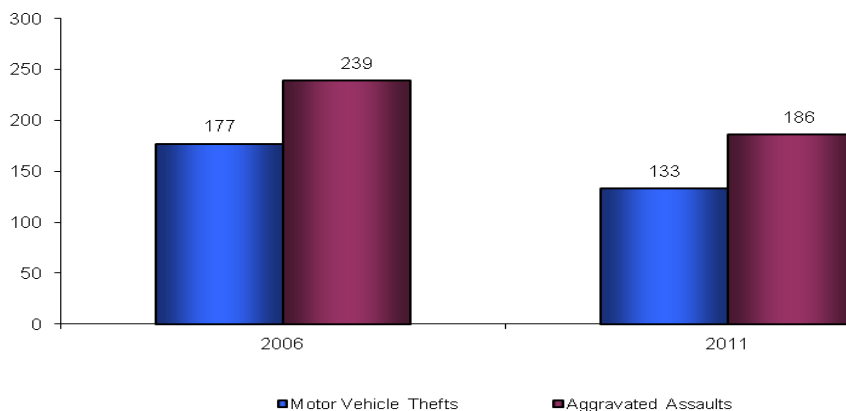


St. Mary's County

Working to reduce violent crime in Maryland

Governor O'Malley's primary concern for the State of Maryland is to provide safety for its citizens. To date, Maryland has the lowest homicide and violent crime rates ever reported in the state. However, the real story can be told at the local level where the difficult work of addressing violent crime and supporting victims is done every day. Over the last 5 years, through unprecedented federal, state, and local law enforcement collaboration, St. Mary's County has seen significant 15.3% reduction in violent crime. In addition, there have been significant reductions in aggravated assaults (-22.2%) and motor vehicle thefts (-24.9%).

St. Mary's County Motor Vehicle Theft and Aggravated Assault Trends 2006 - 2011



ST. MARY'S COUNTY MAKES AN IMPACT:

Now more than ever before, crime reduction depends on federal, state, and local collaboration. Real-time information sharing, more effective crime analysis, new technology, the strategic targeting of violent offenders, and improved community resources all contributed to St. Mary's County's success.

Governor O'Malley's Office of Crime Control and Prevention is currently funding 17 grants in St. Mary's County totaling \$736,840. As a result, St. Mary's County has been able to implement successful crime fighting strategies such as:

- **Crime Analysis** – The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office currently has a funded full time Crime Analyst who enhances the department's development and implementation of a scientific management process to identify crime patterns, hot spots, and strategies to assist in addressing crime and quality of life issues.
- **Sex Offender Monitoring** – The St. Mary's County Monitoring Support/Training Program tracks the compliance of local sex offenders who are required to register/re-register with the Maryland Sex Offender Registry. The program provides closer monitoring and frequent verifications to ensure greater compliance of sex offenders while providing a safer community for the citizens of St. Mary's County.

Key Initiatives

- Heightened Supervision of Violent Offenders
- CompStat on Demand
- Crime Analysis
- Crime Mapping
- Young Survivors Safety Net
- Drug Treatment
- Domestic Violence Crisis & Support Services
- Rape Crisis Intervention Services
- Sex Offender Monitoring
- Victim Services

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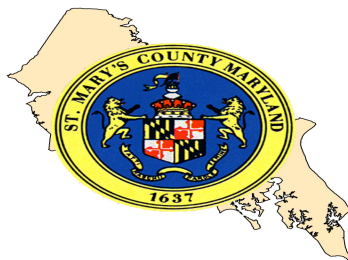
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- **Drug Treatment** - The Walden Sierra Trauma Integrated Drug Treatment System of Care seeks to design and implement a sustainable trauma-sensitive and trauma-informed system of care for users of drug and alcohol treatment programs within the county. Project activities focus on creating opportunities for stakeholders and staff and allied partners to build exposure, experience, and the adaptation and implementation of evidence-based interventions in trauma-informed services and care.
- **Domestic Violence Crisis and Support Services** - The Walden Sierra Domestic Violence Crisis & Support Services program provides a 24 hour hotline, safe accommodations, crisis services and counseling, case management, advocacy and service coordination, therapy, and community awareness activities for domestic violence victims.

Walden Sierra also has a Rape Crisis Intervention Services program which provides a 24 hour hotline crisis services, accompaniment, professional counseling, and access to service coordination and advocacy for sexual assault victims. This program also utilizes a coordinated community approach to serving victims.

The Southern Maryland Center for Family Advocacy (SMCFA) provides victims of domestic violence and sexual assault with legal representation, lethality assessments, safety planning, and assistance with applying for victim compensation, referrals, court accompaniment, and follow-up during the protective order period.

- **Young Survivors Safety Net** - The SMCFA's Young Survivors Safety Net protects the rights and safety of adolescent young adult victims of stalking, dating, and sexual violence. It consists of law enforcement and prosecutors and Center personnel who provide education, liaison to other providers, and 24/7 access to representation by advocates and civil legal staff



"Seamless coordination and consistent information sharing have been the hallmarks of crime fighting in St. Mary's County. As a result, the Sheriff's Office has been able keep the county safe by focusing effectively on the problems of youth and the threats posed by gangs and violent criminals. Victims of domestic violence benefit from a partnership with the courts in processing protective orders quickly and efficiently."

Governor Martin O'Malley

"Collaboration with law enforcement at all levels has been an important part of our crime fighting success in St. Mary's County. These partnerships have been an invaluable resource for us."

Sheriff Tim Cameron